(b) the financial assistance proposed to be given by the Government of Pakistan and India and international agencies, if any, for the re-construction of the Complex?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) and (b) Pakistan had requested for experts from the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) in May, 2005 to advise it on restoration of Katasraj Temple Complex. An ASI expert visited the Katasraj Temple Complex from 29th August to 2nd September, 2005 and submitted a report which was handed over to the Government of Pakistan in January, 2006. The restoration of the Temple Complex is being carried out by authorities in Pakistan. India has offered to provide further technical assistance, if required.

Construction of by-pass on National Highway No. 7

†3001. SHRI LAXMINARAYAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether construction of by-pass for Sivani city is proposed on National Highway No. 7; and

(b) if so, the action taken so far for its construction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A by-pass at Sivani city (Seon) on NH-7 in Madhya Pradesh is included in the project for four laning from km. 597 to km. 653 of NH-7 as part of North-South Corridor. Tenders for this project on BOT Annuity basis have already been invited but the award of work is yet to be finalized. The land acquisition work is in progress.

Port development plan

3002. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated a 20 year plan to develop all major ports in the country with Rotterdam Port and other international port

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.